Decision No. 87848 SEP 17 1977

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the County of)
Placer to construct grade)
crossings within the Sunset)
Business Park, Placer County.)

Application No. 56940 (Filed December 13, 1976)

OPINION

As part of the project to develop the Sunset Industrial Park, the County of Placer requests authority to construct Cincinnati and Duluth Avenues at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company in the Sunset Industrial Park near the City of Roseville in Placer County.

The County of Placer is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended. After review of an Environmental Impact Report, the County of Placer approved the project and on November 29, 1976 filed a Notice of Determination with the Placer County Clerk which found that "The project will have a significant effect on the environment."

The adverse environmental impacts which cannot be avoided, should the project for development of the Sunset Industrial Park be implemented, are associated with the change in land use from agricultural to industrial, increased use of energy, increased traffic and the resultant degradation in air quality. A number of measures have been incorporated into the project plan in order to reduce potentially adverse effects and to enhance the project. Among the mitigation measures which have been incorporated into the plan is the provision of rail service which will permit energy savings and temper the adverse effects on air quality.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on December 15, 1976. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

FINDINGS

After consideration, the Commission finds:

- 1. Applicant should be authorized to construct Cincinnati and Duluth Avenues at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company in the Sunset Industrial Park near the City of Roseville in Placer County at the locations and substantially as shown by the plans attached to the application to be identified as Crossings C-111.5-C and C-111.9-C, respectively.
- 2. Construction of the crossings should be equal or superior to Standard No. 1 of General Order 72-5.
- 3. Clearances should conform to General Order 26-D. Walkways should conform to General Order 118.
- 4. Protection at each crossing should be two Standard No. 1-R crossing signs (General Order 75-C). The signs should be lettered on both sides on reflectorized white background.
- 5. Construction costs of the crossings and installation costs of the crossing signs should be borne by the applicant.
- 6. Maintenance of the crossings should be in accordance with General Order 72-B.
- 7. Construction plans of the crossings approved by the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, together with a copy of the agreement entered into between the parties involved, should be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction.
- 8. The County of Placer is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and on March 26, 1976 approved its final Environmental Impact Report which has been filed with the Commission. The Commission has considered applicant's final Environmental Impact Report and Notice of Determination and finds that the benefits of the proposed project outweigh any adverse effects and that the proposed project should be approved.

CONCLUSIONS

On the basis of the foregoing findings, we conclude that the application should be granted as set forth in the following order:

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The County of Placer is authorized to construct Cincinnati and Duluth Avenues at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company in the Sunset Industrial Park near the City of Roseville, in Placer County, as set forth in the findings of this decision.
- 2. Within thirty days after completion pursuant to this order, applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing.

This authorization shall expire if not exercised within two years unless time be extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at September , 1977.

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Published President